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SUBJECT: MOZAMBIQUE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DATA

REFERENCE: MAPUTO 0488

1. EXIMBANK APPRECIATES EMBASSY EFFORTS WITH BANCO DE
MOCAMBIQUE TO OBTAIN BASIC DATA ON MOZAMBIQUE'S EXTERNAL
FINANCIAL SITUATION, I.E. BALANCE OF PAYMENTS, DEBT AND
RESERVES, AND WISHES EXPRESS THANKS TO MAHOMED OSMAN FOR
PROVIDING DATA ON DEBT AND RESERVES, BUT INFORMATION IS
NOT SUFFICIENT FOR STAFF PROCEED WITH EVALUATION OF GE
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REQUEST FOR EXIMBANK SUPPORT OF LOCOMOTIVE SALE.

2. WHILE HIS EXPLANATORY NOTES ON EXTERNAL TRADE
VALUABLE AND APPRECIATED, EXIMBANK NEEDS MINIMUM OF
BALANCE OF PAYMENTS DATA. COULD EMBASSY PLEASE ASK
OSMAN PROVIDE ACTUAL FIGURES OR HIS BEST ESTIMATES ON
FOLLOWING MAJOR CATEGORIES FOR 1976 AND 1977: EXPORTS
AND IMPORT OF GOODS, REMITTANCES BY MOZAMBICAN WORKERS

ABROAD, REMITTANCES OF EXPATRIATES WORKING IN MOZAMBIQUE, INCOME FROM TRANSIT TRAFFIC, INTEREST PAYMENTS ON DEBT, AND OTHER SERVICE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS. THIS SHOULD RESULT IN CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE. FOREIGN AID, DRAWDOWNS

ON EXTERNAL LOANS, DEBT REPAYMENTS AND OTHER CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS. THIS SHOULD APPROXIMATE OVERALL BALANCE OF PAYMENTS, WITH SURPLUS OR DEFICIT REFLECTED IN CHANGES IN RESERVES. PLEASE ALSO ASK OSMAN HIS ESTIMATE OF EFFECT OF SOUTH AFRICAN GOLD REVALUATION ON CENTRAL BANK EXCHANGE RECEIPTS FROM WORKER REMITTANCES. IF NEGATIVE, IS THERE COMPENSATING SOUTH AFRICAN GRANT AID OR CONCESSIONARY LONG-TERM LENDING FOR CAPITAL GOODS, ESPECIALLY IN TRANSPORTATION SECTOR.

3. ON APRIL 24 EXIMBANK HAS RECEIVED DOLS. 77,716.14 DUE ON CREDIT 4516 FOR MABOR TIRE FACTORY. PLEASE THANK GOVERNOR CASSIMO AND MR. OSMAN FOR REMITTANCE.

4. FOR JOHANNESBURG: PLEASE PASS INFORMATION TO GORDEN PHELPS OF CITIBANK. CHRISTOPHER

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